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Course Catalog - History

B.A. in History - B.A. in History

Type:Major

In addition to completing the general education requirement, students completing the B.A. degree in History must complete the following major program requirements, obtaining a grade of C- or better in all major courses:

Requirements for a major in history

1. Foundation in the field (15 hours)

[HIST 1101](#) and [1102](#) World Civilization*

[HIST 1111](#) and [1112](#) United States History*

[HIST 2490](#) Research Methods

*NB: These courses can be met by AP, CLEP tests, or by transfer credit.

2. Explorations:Time, Place, Perspectives

The Americas (6 Hours) - Courses include (but are not limited to)

[HIST 3310](#) - Constitutional History of the US

[HIST 3315](#) - Georgia History

[HIST 3317](#) - Colonial America

[HIST 3319](#) - Nineteenth-Century America

[HIST 3416](#) - Twentieth-Century America

Eurasia (6 Hours) - Courses include (but are not limited to)

[HIST 3301](#) The Greco-Roman World

[HIST 3302](#) The Middle Ages

[HIST 3305](#) Islamic World to 1500

[HIST 3320](#) The Renaissance and the Reformation

[HIST 3372](#) Europe, 1660-1870

[HIST 3374](#) Europe, 1870– Present

Electives (6 Hours)

Elective courses either 3000/4000 level History and/or related cross-listed courses.

Cross-listed courses that can count toward this requirement include:

[POLS 3311](#)

[POLS 3320](#)

[RLGN 3210](#)

[SOCI 3000](#)

[SOCI 3500](#)

3. Capstone

[HIST 4490](#) Senior History Seminar

The total major course requirements are **36 semester hours of credit**.

History majors are encouraged to pursue the widest possible liberal arts preparation by the careful selection of courses from the Ethos Curriculum structure.

Recommended Progression

Students who are interested in the B.A. in History can review a [four-year course plan](#).

Minor in History - Minor in History

Type:Minor

The minor in history consists of fifteen (15) semester hours of history courses successfully completed with no lower than a grade of C-. At least nine (9) of those hours must be at or above the 3000 level.

HIST 1101 - World Civilization I

Survey course on the development of world civilization up to 1660.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Fall terms
 - May substitute for a CORE Humanities course
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HIST 1102 - World Civilization II

Survey course on the development of world civilization from 1660 to the present.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Spring terms
 - May substitute for a CORE Humanities course
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HIST 1111 - History of the United States to 1865

Emphasis on the Colonial, Revolutionary, early national, and Civil War periods.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Fall terms

- May substitute for a CORE Humanities course
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HIST 1112 - History of the United States, 1865 to the Present

Emphasis on Reconstruction, liberal nationalism, New Deal, and postwar periods.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Spring terms
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HIST 2490 - Research Methods in History

This course is required of all history majors. It acquaints the student with the basic components of historical methodology and research.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Spring terms
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HIST 2200 - Masters of War: Classical Strategic Thought

This course considers the works of key figures in the history of strategic thinking, both on and off the battlefield. Figures studied include: Sun Tzu, Alexander of Macedon, Machiavelli, Clausewitz, Alfred Mahan, Mao Tse-Tung et al. The course can serve as part of the military history minor or must be taken as HIST 3200 to count as an elective in the History major.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 2499 - Special Topics

A course offered at the first-year/sophomore level, focusing on a specialized topic in the field of history. Also offered as HIST 4499 for junior/senior level credit.

Grade Basis: AL
Credit hours: 3.0
Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 2500 - Military History Studies: Special Topics.

Military History Studies topics course offers students the opportunity to study not just warfare, its battlefield tactics and strategy, but the social, economic and political forces that shaped the specific conflict being examined. The courses seeks to encourage students to consider the human equation in all its complexity through a careful analysis of the specific conflict and its historical significance. Also offered as HIST 3500 for junior/senior level credit.

Grade Basis: AL
Credit hours: 3.0
Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3000 - Public History

This course provides an overview of public history, exploring the many arenas in which one can apply the practical use of historical research, analysis, writing, and presentation in non-teaching fields. Students learn what constitutes public history, understand the techniques and practices associated with it, and develop a critical assessment of the public history field and the contemporary issues facing public historians. The course also aims to improve students' abilities to apply historical skills and knowledge, especially in their presentation of information to general audiences outside of academia.

Grade Basis: AL
Credit hours: 3.0
Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3200 - Masters of War: Classical Strategic Thought

This course considers the works of key figures in the history of strategic thinking, both on and off the battlefield. Figures studied include: Sun Tzu, Alexander of Macedon, Machiavelli, Clausewitz, Alfred Mahan, Mao Tse-Tung et al. The course can serve as

part of the military history minor when taken as HIST 2200 or must be taken as HIST 3200 to count as an elective in the History major.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3301 - The Greco-Roman World

A study of Greco-Roman civilization from its birth in ancient Greece through the collapse of the western Roman Empire in the fifth century A.D.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Fall terms
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HIST 3302 - The Middle Ages, 350-1350

This course offers a comprehensive study of the development of medieval civilization from the late fifth century to the late fourteenth century.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Spring terms
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HIST 3305 - The Islamic World to 1500

This introductory survey course will examine the development of Islam, its growth and diversification from its birth in seventh century C.E. Arabia through the Ottoman conquest of Constantinople in 1453.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand

HIST 3310 - Constitutional History of the United States to 1900

An analysis of fundamental constitutional development from 1776 to 1900.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3311 - Constitutional History of the United States, 1901 to the Present.

An analysis of fundamental constitutional development from 1901 to the present.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3315 - Georgia History

A study of Georgia History from the pre-colonial period to the present, with emphasis on the historical, social, economic, and political development of the State.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3317 - Colonial America

This course examines the colonial history of British North America during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3319 - Nineteenth-Century America

This course examines the history of the United States over the course of the 1800s, tracing its developments from a fledgling nation, through internal divisions, to its rise as an industrial world power. Themes may include race, gender, Jeffersonian republicanism, popular democracy, territory and war, the frontier, expansion and imperialism, and industrialization.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3320 - The Renaissance and the Reformation, 1350-1600

This course offers a detailed study of the civilization of Renaissance and Reformation Europe. Primary focus is on the artistic and religious achievements of the period 1350 to 1600.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Fall terms
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HIST 3330 - The Medieval Church and Papacy

This course examines the institutional and cultural history of the medieval church, with special emphasis on the role of the papacy and its impact on medieval civilization.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Spring terms
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HIST 3361 - History of England to 1689

A political, economic, social, and cultural history of England from 55 B.C. to 1689.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3362 - History of England, 1689 to the Present

A political, economic, social, and cultural history of England from 1689 to the present.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered on demand
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HIST 3372 - Europe, 1660-1870

A comprehensive survey of European history from the reign of Louis XIV through the rise of the modern German state in 1870.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Offered in Fall terms
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HIST 3374 - Europe, 1870 to the Present

A comprehensive survey of European history from the Bismarckian Era to the present.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Spring
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HIST 3378 - European Diplomatic History, 1890 to the Present

A detailed examination of European international relations from 1890, the end of the Bismarkian system, to the present.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- On Demand
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HIST 3380 - History of China

This course is a survey of Chinese history from the earliest historic periods to the close of the twentieth century and will cover a variety of topics throughout multiple periods in Chinese history including philosophies of Confucianism, Legalism, Daoism, and Buddhism, Chinese statecraft, political and economic history, the intersections of society and commerce, gender, technology, agriculture, institutional history, diplomacy, and trends in Anglophone China historiography.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- On Demand
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HIST 3416 - Twentieth-Century America

An intensive study of the United States during the twentieth century.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0

Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- On Demand
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HIST 4486 - National History Day Service Seminar

This service seminar combines a focused study of applied public history with service 'in the field.' Students will actively engage in public history by providing mentoring services to middle and high school students through the National History Day Program.

Grade Basis: AL

Credit hours: 3.0
Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- On Demand
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HIST 4490 - Senior History Seminar

A study of historiography and research methods and materials.

Grade Basis: AL
Credit hours: 3.0
Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- Spring
 - Senior History Major or permission of the professor and the Chair of the Department
 - This course may be attempted only twice.
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HIST 4499 - Special Topics

A course offered at the junior/senior level, focusing on a specialized topic in the field of history.

Grade Basis: AL
Credit hours: 3.0
Lecture hours: 3.0

Restrictions:

- On Demand
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